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Arafat flies to Saudi Arabia

JEDDAH, Jan. 21 (R). — PLO leader Yasser Arafat flew into Riyadh today for talks on the Middle East situation, Riyadh radio reported, without giving further details. Meanwhile it was reported from San's today that North Yemeni Foreign Minister Abdullah Al Asnag Will visit Cairo on Monday amid reports he is canvassing support for calling an Arab summit conference. Mr. Asnag who completed a tour of Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Syria yesterday, will be carrying a message for President Anwar Sadat officials said here. The North Yemeni foreign minister is also expected to go to visit Libyan and Tunisian leaders.

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Jordan **expresses** "total support" for Sadat

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AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). -The Jordanian government today expressed "total support" for the stand taken by Egypt in the negotiations with Israel, and called on the major powers to shoulder their responsibilities for peace an official statement

issued here said.
"At this critical stage, this historic juncture, Egypt is discharging a major national responsibility in standing up to Israel's manoenvres, its ambitions and the games it is playing at the peace talks," the statement added. Israel does not want the talks to succeed, the gover-

mment statement said. "The entire Arab nation Also a and the nations of the world which are for peace and jus-tice have a duly to give their full support to Egypt's committed stand in favour of a comprehensive settlement and the realisation of hindamental Arab rights andiminished," the govern-

doct of

ment said.

Egypt has put before the world conscience a crystal clear picture of just Arab rights, believing that this conscience will never accept under any slogan, the occu-pation of the land of others by military force, the displacing of peoples from their homelands and the rejection of a just peace and civilized human co-existence."

statement added. The statement said the responsibility now lay with 'tras : Israel "which has so far chosen the path of violence and aggressive expansionism, preferring it to humane coerdstence and an acceptable pe-

ace" In an indirect reference to the United States and the nermanent members of the U.N. Security Council, the statement concluded: "It is also the historic duty of the international community, especially the world states and powers which call for human rights and which bear a special responsibility for world peace and securi-ty to shoulder their respon-sibilities.

Terrorists feared in

ry Islands, Jan. 21 (R). — Airports in the Spanish holiday islands of Majorca and the desire Canary archipelago were placed on the alert today for attacks by independence move-

ment guerrillas. Troops armed with sub-machine guns were reported patrolling all airports in the Canary Islands, where the tour-

ists season is in full swing. The national news agency said Civil Guard reinforcements had arrived in the Canaries to tighten security at ports and airports.

Spanish national radio reported exceptional security measures had been taken at Las u Palmas, Tenerife and other islands of the Canary archipe-lago, which lies off Morocco

The radio said there were backed guerrillas of the Canary fears of an attack by Algerianthrhas been carrying out 2 bombing campaign aimed at scaring tourists away from the

A spokesman at Pelma de Majorca's airport in the Balea-ric Islands off Spain's eastern coast said extra guards had been called in after threats

from "terrorist groups."

Arab rifts seen healing after peace talks breach

BEIRUT, Ist. 21 (R).— With President Anwar Sadet's selo peacemailing effort apparently stymied, Arab leaders are mounting new efforts to close ranks. Even Iraq, the hawk of hawks, was reported today to be taking part in a movement flist reaches across the political spectrum.

Since President Sedat abru- unanimous desire for Arab so by summined his foreign ma- lidarity. pily summined his foreign minister some from peace talks in Servadins on Wednesday. Arab critics have shifted their fire from the Egyptian leader to the United States and Israel. Some states are trying to argunize a full scale spannit which would bring Mr. Saust ingether with leaders who bifferly denounced his peace initiative and the dramatic trip to Israel two months ago that spite the Arab World. According to Al Saffe, a usually west informed pro-Libyan daily here, Iraq has loined

yan daliy here, Iraq has Joined the campaign to call an Arab seamoil

King Hassia of Morocco, one of the few Acab leaders who problets supported President Sada't agreed moves, has wel-comed the hunder in the neare teller saying Egypt's decision could semile the Arab family. South pledged full support index for President Sedat in "this critical and decisive sit-

ustion.
Sendi Arabia and Kuwait, which exact great influence the so, according to Al Safir, working privately to close Arab

North Yemen's Foreign Mi-dister, Abdullair Al Asnag has just finished a tour of Saudi forts."

Arabia, Jordan and Syria and Even

lidarity. He said contacts aimed at organising a full-scale Arab summit would be made within the next few days.

The push for unity appeared to be strengthened by Arab concern that Israel frustrated in the peace talks with Egypt, might provoke another Middle

Al Safir, quoting informed Arab sources, said Iraq has been engaged in secret diplomatic contacts aimed at con-vening a conference of all Arab leaders to work out a new unified strategy.

The paper said most of the leaders approached supported the idea, on condition that Mr. Sadat formally announced the and of his solo peace effort. Calls for a summir have been taken up in Etypt, where the minority leftist party said

uld be held immediately. King Hassan in a message to President Sadat yesterday said he hoped Egypt and other confrontation states would now come together to exert "the greatest possible pressure"

"We hope that the attitude you have adopted today will encourage solidarity and entente within the Aran family and will constitute a new opportunity to conjugate wills and ef-

Even radical Palestinians totold Reuters that he found a ok up the call for unity.

Sadat reveals appeal tor U.S. arms supplies, but no new formula to revive stalled peace negotiations

CAIRO, Jan. 21 (Agencies). - In a powerful speech to the Egyptian parliament President Anwar Sadat said tonight that he has asked the United States to supply Egypt with all the modern weapons it has already poured into Israel. The president was addressing an emergency session of the People's Assembly, called to hear his explanation for suspending peace talks with Israel. President Sadat, in a major speech awaited throughout the world, said he had conveyed a formal request for U.S. arms when he met Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in Egypt yesterday.

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The flow of U.S. weaponry to Israel had emboldened Premier Menachem Begin to behave "arrogantly." Mr. Sadat said. So armed, Israel felt able to resist what Mr. Sadat saw as justified Arab demands -- for Israeli withdrawal from land occupied in the 1967 Middle

East war and for Palestinian self-determination. "I have officially asked, and for the first time, the Secretary of State yesterday to ask the American President to arm Egypt with all the arms Israel has got," Mr. Sadat said.

African commitments

Egypt's 300,000-strong forces were mainly armed by the So-viet Union. But relations between Cairo and Moscow have been at rock bottom since Mr. military advisers in 1972. The Kremlin then imposed an embargo on arms and spare

parts for Egypt. In the meantime American arms supplies total only six C-130 Hercules transport planes and some vehicles. "I will pay for the arms,"

Mr. Sadat said. "I am not asking for the arms to attack Israel but... there are leaders in this region who think that an arms arsenal will achi-

eve everything." President Sadat also said he needed arms for African comnritments.

He appeared to offer no new formula in his speech for resuming the suspended Jerusalem talks, nor for continuing his peace initiative.

But he insisted that he will continue to strive for peace. The peace initiative will never be dropped," he declared. "My peace initiative is a blazing torch for peace," President Sadat declared.

"The will for peace will triu-

mph. We will not accept that had sought Palestinian rights this Egyptian peace initiative and Israel's withdrawal from Syria's Golan Heights "before can be aborted.
"I wish to tell Israel and the Sinai." Soviet Union that the peace in-In the absence of any speitiative does not belong to cific Sadat proposals tonight

for keeping his peace initiative Egypt alone but is the hope of the whole world." going, diplomats assumed that he would rely on discreet di-President Sadat's anger with plomacy carried out by the the Soviet Union appeared to stem from Moscow's backing United States, which has assumed a mediator's role.

Mr. Sadat praised the firfor "hawkish" Arab leaders op-

posed to his peace negotiations. mness adopted by Egyptian Fo-He said he had recalled his reign Minister Mohammad Ibdelegation from peace talks in rahim Kamel in the face of Israel last Wednesday because Mr. Begin's "arrogance". there had been no shift in Is-This firmness had "cut Mr. Begin down to size" he said. Mr. Sadat added that Mr. rael's basic position, despite his own landmark visit to Jerusalem on Nov. 19 to launch his Begin had apologised and Egypeace drive.

Grim and agitated Open door

pt had accepted these apolo-

Mr. Sadat said the door to

negotiations would "remain op-

Wearing a dark blue suit, President Sadat looked relaxed as he entered the parliamentary chamber. But in the course of his 105-minute speech he became grim and agitated.

Throughout his address he seemed to be trying to tell Israel how strongly the Arabs feel about the occupied territ-

On Israeli settlements in Sinai, which Premier Begin wants to retain, he said: "I would rather go to the end of the world to avoid shedding one drop of the blood of one of my soldiers. But I would not allow one square inch of my territory to be given away even if I have to wage war with you (Israel) to the end of the wor-

The 360 Egyptian legislators cheered.

Rebuking Arab powers who have accused him of seeking a unilateral deal with Israel, President Sadat said that he

concealing "atrocious failure"

BEIRUT, Jan. 21 (R). — The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) said today that President Anwar Sadat was "marking time and trying to cover up his atrocious failure" in negotiating with Israel.

jid Abu Sharrar, commenting on President Sadat's parliamentary speech, said the Egyptian leader could not be expected to emerge from the "circle of failure" in which he had placed himself.

Mr. Sharrar said the only course left to Egypt was to cut its ties with the U.S. and build up its army.

powerful Fateh guerrilla group, told Reuters: "If (Sadat) has discovered today Israel's int-ransigence and disregard for the people and army of Egypt we believe the only course for Egypt to recover its rights is to také a new course contrary to the one it has followed since the October (1973) war."

rather than building the power of the Egyptian army, and puten provided that the sovereignty and territorial integrity of all countries in the region were not challenged". This, he said, was the sole condition for continuing talks.

Mr. Sadat ended his 115-minute speech by saying it was no more than "a warning" ag-ainst "lack of seriousness which would ruin the chances of my peace initiative."

He said his warning was "not a threat", adding "threats are made from weakness and Egypt is acting, and will act, only from a position of strength and self-confidence."

Defending himself against Arab criticisms and justifying his initiative, Mr. Sadat said earlier in the speech that Syritold other Arab heads of state that the Soviet Union and Syria had never intended to attend the reconvened Geneva conference on the Middle East,

U.S., European envoys discuss ways to stop war in Horn of Africa

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (R). - United States and European officials met here today to discuss ways of ending the worsening fighting between Ethio-pia and Somali forces in the Hom of Africa.

The closed doors meeting follows President Carter's warning in his state of the union message on Thursday of the danger that communist countries would commit their own forces to the fighting "transforming it from a local war to a confrontation with broader strategic implications".

Officials here estimate that the Soviet Union has supplied Ethiopia with up to \$1 billion worth of weapons and as many as 3,000 Soviet and Cuban advisers.

Somali has bitterly criticised the United States for not supplying it with arms to match the Soviet aid to Ethiopia. The U.S. and Britain have both rejected Somali requests for

Sources said officials at today's meeting would discuss whether their position on aid to Somalia would have to be reevaluated in the light of increased Soviet supplies to Ethio-

Somali forces claim to have wrested control of most of the southern Ethiopian desert region of Ogaden, which Soma-

lia has long claimed as its ri-

ghtful possession. But in the Somali capital of Mogadishu last weekend President Siad Barre called in the diplomatic heads of mission of the U.S., Britain, France, Italy and West Germany to make an urgent appeal for aid to repel what he said was a planned Ethiopian invasion of So-

malia. Senior officials from those five countries were present at today's meeting. A U.S. spokesman said it was not known how long the talks would last and a statement was not expe-

The officials include U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Mr. Richard Moose, and British Assistant Under Secretary Phillip Mans-

Diplomatic sources said one likely outcome of the meeting would be a move to get the dispute taken up by the United Nations Security Council. of which the U.S., France and Britain are permanent members.

PARIS, Jan. 21 (AFP) - Sa-

udi Businessman Akram Oijeh,

the new owner of the liner

France, today disclosed plans

for a series of business ventu-

res in France including the

creation of a Franco-Saudi Ma-

In an interview with the Pa-

ris newspaper Le Monde, he

said he would like to form a

new French regional airline,

and help expand the Meridien

hotel chain owned by the state-

Saudi shipping company wou-

Id profit from the transport

needs of Saudi Arabia's oil in-

Oileh said a Franco-

run airline Air France.

ritime company.

ATLANTA, Jan. 21 (R). — President Carter says he views the breakdown in the Middle East peace talks as very serious but hopes the "temporary setback" can be resolved.

Carter hopes breakdown

in Mideast peace talks

can be resolved soon

Mr. Carter gave his assessment of the problems facing Israel and Egypt to reporters accompanying him to a politi-cal fund-raising dinner here

last night.
"We hope that there won't be anything other than a brief interruption in the political talks," he said on his way here

Nevertheless, Mr. Carter acknowledged that he did not know what would happen next, saying much depended upon President Anwar Sadat's speech to parliament in Cairo to-

Mr. Carter, who tried to dissuade President Sadat from breaking off talks with Israel, said he did not believe Egypt intended breaking off the political talks so as to pressure on Prime Minister Menachem Begin to make more concess-

France-Saudi shipping line mooted

dustry. He envisaged setting it

up with the help of the Fre-

nch state-controlled Compag-

nie Generale Maritime (CGM)

and added "the fact that the

state is CGM's chief sharehol-

Mr. Olieh, who bought the liner France from CGM for 80

million francs (about \$18 mil-

lion), said he was considering

New Orleans and San Franci-

sco as sites for the floating

hotel he intends to convert it

into. But he added that the

final decision would not be appounced until Feb. 15 and

other cities, some outside the

United States, had not been

ruled out.

der guarantees our success,"

munications with President Sadat ... my assessment is that he has been quite sincere in what he has done, that it is not posturing and not designed to influence our action one way or the other." Mr. Carter

The president said he fund the Egyptian leader to be discouraged and "I would say de-

east stalemate. President Carter saw a positive note, however, in the two sides' decision to continue talks at the military level.

He said the diplomatic talks "are very sensitive, very sharply defined, and they are much better worked out privately where there can be a discussion of a word or a new answer or a phrase or an idea among negotiators without arousing the sharp feelings of millions of people ...

"That is very difficult to do in a public forum through the news media," President Carter

Mr. Ojjeh, who already hol-

ds 44 per cent of the capital

of Air Alpes, said he would

like to see a "great French re-

gional airline", and that com-

panies such as Midair, Touraine

Air Transport and Europe Ae-

ro Service were possible shar-

He said he would also like

"back the expansions of the

Meridien hotel chain to help it

A spokesman for Mr. Oiieh's

Techniques Avant-Garde (TAG)

company today said negotiati-

ons with CGM for the creation

of a joint shipping line were

well under way before Mr. Oi-

ich bought the France.

fight American competition."

PLO: Sadat

PLO information chief Ma-

Mr. Sharrar, a leader of the

This had been "one of bank-ing on the American attitude ting America among friends although it has equipped Israel with a major arsenal," he said.

Exchange controls lifted by Central Bank

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JT). — The Central Bank of Jordan has taken a number of important decisions affecting exchange control regulations and foreign currency accounts, the governor told an Al Ra'i reporter today.

First, Jordanians who live in Jordan are permitted to maintain foreign currency accounts in licenced banks within Jordan without special permission; the total deposits in these accounts are limited to around JD 5.000 per person. The account holder can draw from this account wihtout restriction, provided the account is financed from abroad. Secondly, Jordanians who worked outside Jor-

dan, and had opened an account in foreign currency can continue operating that account after they return to Jordan. They can also draw from that account without restriction. They can use these accounts to cover travel expenses and to pay for loans. Thirdly, raw materials, imported to be processed here and exported to Arab countries are to be freed

from controls which required their foreign exchange import costs to be repaid in foreign currency. Fourthly, the importers of raw materials are freed

from exchange bond requirements, which the Central Bank formely demanded. "This aims at encouraging local industries," said

the governor. Fifthly, any Arab person can purchase shares in

Jordanian companies without restriction. Previously such investors used to pay for the shares in foreign currency. They also can sell these shares under no restriction.

Trust in economy

The Governor of the Central Bank, Dr. Mohammad Said Nabulsi said that "these are the most important decisions taken by the Bank concerning the freeing of the economy from currency control restrictions."

"If this shows any thing it shows that Arab and foreign people have trust in the Jordanian economy: this is why they would like to invest their money here", he added.

These decisions, he added, aim at encouraging more people to invest their money here; this will help increase the work of the Amman Stock Exchange.

Another factor affecting these decisions of the recommendations of the International Fund missions who visited Jordan to strengthen the Jordanian eco-

Canaries

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Strength in liberalisation

It takes a particular kind of courage on the part of a small developing country, which is predominantly an importer rather than exporter, such as Jordan, to free its citizens of exchange controls.

Yet this is precisely the kind of courage displayed in the Central Bank decisions announced by the Governor, Dr. Mohammad Said Nabulsi, in a statement published today in the Jordan Times.

Few developing countries with a trade deficit equal to Jordan's allow their citizens the freedoms announced by the Central Bank. The best case in point is Israel. As we saw from the downfall of Mr. Rabin, that country cannot afford to allow its citizens the freedoms of external accounts in foreign currency now enjoyed by the citizens of Jordan. Indeed citizens of the United Kingdom do not enjoy the same privileges now accorded Jordanians.

The move is a sure indication of a healthy economy growing stronger. It will be one more positive factor attracting Jordanians abroad to return. It will also increase Jordan's overall attraction as a regional business centre and a centre for regional investment. While liberal exchange controls have already been introduced to cover foreign investment in Jordanian projects and industrial development, there is always an element of hesitation on the part of foreign investors if their investment is subject to special dispensations which could be rescinded, when the rule is for more strict exchange control. By making freedom of exchange and the right to foreign currency accounts the rule, rather than the exception, these hesitations are further removed.

That this liberalisation was possible is entirely due to the strength of the dinar and the inherent belief, of those who guide Jordan's monetary policy, in the benefits of a free economy in developing Jordan.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Jordanian newspaper editorials today commented on the deadlocked Egyptian-Israeli peace negotiations.

AL RA'L said that the failure by the Arab states to hold a summit meeting had opened the door to increased Israeli intransigence on the Middle East peace question. President Anwar Sadat was in an unenviable position because "Israel has failed to understand the dimensions of his initiative." But, the paper adds, the failure of the other Arab states, especially those who are directly concerned with the Arab conflict, has opened the door wide for increased Israeli intransigence, and has led to American indifference about pressuring Israel into changing its policies, Israel wanted land, security and peace at the expense of the Palestinian presence, Al Ra'i said. It was the duty of all the Arab states to re-evaluate the situation following the negative results of the Egyptian-Israeli peace talks, it added.

AL DUSTOUR, said that despite the objections to it, President Sadat's peace initiative was the only decisive opportunity offered to the Arabs to know the true "identity" and intentions of Israel, and to deprive it in publicly and in one stroke, of all the masks it has been hiding behind during the past three decades. Not only this, Al Dustour went on, but it will also be said that President Sada,'s initiative was the only decisive way by which the Arabs could put to the test the intentions of the United States and discover the extent of the Americans' commitment to the "rights of man", when this man is a Palestinian Arab; not to mention the extent of the Americans' "nationalism" and their determination to pursue their own interests when these conflict with the ambitions of a small state called Israel."





British expert helps plan for Amman ZOOS

By Ginette Devaney Special to the Jordan Times

Mr. Brian Seward has been in Jordan for just four weeks but already feels at home here and is happy to stay, which is fortunate as he has a mammoth task ahead of him which will occupy his time and energy for some time to come.

He is an ex-engineer whose love of animals made him give up his profession to become involved full time in the running of some of England's mo-

st famous zoos.
"I had planned to go to Africa to work with wild animals after my girls had grown up. however interveded and the opportunity came to work with animals and I took

He is an enthusiast of motor

cycles and motor cycle racing,

having been at one time a semi-professional race rider and side car champion. He also has a large collection of model His wife, a school secretary, is as keen an animal lover as

hours in the offices of the zoos where Mr. Seward worked. The future Director of Amman Zoo is here to design, organise, stock and run Jordan's first zoological gardens, as well as to train and select

staff, including his successor.

her husband and worked many

Mr. Seward is a most experienced animal handler and controller, for seven years the manager of Plymouth Zoo, a large and well known West country establishment much used for the quarantining of wild animals imported into the United Kingdom.

One of the directors of Plymouth Zoo is Mr. Jimmy Chipperfield a member of the wor-

from 8 to 1:30 and 2 to 5:00.

WHAT'S GOING ON

The Friends of Archaeology are holding an exhibition of photos

On Monday at 6:00, a lecture on "The Archaeological Methods

for Recovering Ancient Agriculture and Climate in Jordan", by

Albright Fellow David McCrery. This will be held at the American

Center for Oriental Research. To get there: from Jabal Amman pass 5th Circle, Silver Market, Sweet Market. Turn second right,

first right, first left, first right. ACOR is on the right, one block in.

NOTICE

A representative from the Internal Revenue Service

will be at the American Embassy from Jan. 21 to Jan. 25 to give assistance to U.S. tax payers.

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Extension 230 for an appointment.

CARS FOR SALE

On display opposite Fine Arts Dept., next to the Pakistani Emba

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entitled Syrian Archaeological Sites, opening Sunday at noon at the Jordan University Library, and lasting through Wednesday

ld famous circus and animal training family, so Mr. Seward's training and background was both full, hard and com-

prehensive

After his time at Plymouth Mr. Seward transferred to Bristol one of Britain's largest and most important towns, and was Assistant Director of the-ir zoo for three years.

The Lord Mayor of Amman, Mr. Ma'an Abu Nuwar, whose wife also hails from the British West country, was on a visit to Bristol Zoo arranged by the British Foreign Office, where he met and talked to Mr. Seward, inviting him to come to Amman for a short ten day working visit. The Assistant Director had been much involved with the technical side of his zoo and with the design and planning of much of the layout and building. He came to Jordan and was shown a site out on the way to the present airport and he produced some working drawings and plans. As a result of this visit he and his family - wife, two children, three cats, one Great Dane and a monkey, arrived here in early December.

The original site at Ain Ghazal, is of about forty five acres and the plan is for a large international zoo to be opened some years hence. However a new plan has now been proposed, for a five acre site, at Ras Al Ain to be opened by mid 1978 as a recreational park with some wild animals, for a childrens' zoo. It only remains for the working layout to be produced and building will begin.

One of Mr. Seward's important jobs is the appointing and training of staff. First rate assistants are required in the complicated world of a 200.

A large establishment is like a small town-there have to be administrators, veterinary surgeons, caterers (for both animals and humans), travel experts, maintenance men, ground staff and others to care for the needs of the visiting public. All these people are important in the running of a top class zoo and for the movement, care and general wellbeing of animals, maybe thousands of miles from their na-

tural habitat and homeland.

The Director told me that

he hopes to use Jordanian staff with perhaps one or two ex-perienced British keepers at first. There are specialist dealers in Europe and the United Kingdom from whom people like Mr. Seward buy their animais — people who are able to supply sound, healthy specimens just by a telephone call. Thus Mr. Seward's travelling time, especially at first, will be cut to a minimum. Zoos also sell to each other and have a system known at 'on deposit' whereby animals, singly or in pairs, are loaned to the recipient zou for as long as they require them — a much used and successful scheme as some animals, white tigers for example, cost as much as £40,000 each and some rare antelopes as much as £20,000 each. Not many zoos can afford these

All the equipment needed for feeding, grooming and care of the animals will be imported from Britain as will the control and tranquilliser equipment such as dart guns and drugs. The availability and quantity of feeding stuffs will determine the type of animals imported at the beginning of the project. Fruit, vegetable and nut eating animals will have food in plenty so that monkeys, apes and some of the smaller vegetarian mammals will arrive first. Later on, when the hay and flesh quantities available are known, the bigger creatures such as giraffes. hippopotamus, rhinoceros and the big cats will arrive. Water of course is of great importance and I am told that both the sites in question have an adequate supply which will not detract at all from local

The zoo will be run by and under the ausnices of the Amman Municipality and it is hoped that it will prove to be a great success as an addition to the capital's attractions. I also spoke to the Mayor of Amman, Mr. Ma'an Abu Nu-war who is the mastermind behind this ambitious project. He told me that the idea for the zoo arose out of his own love of animals and his desire to see another major attraction in the city of Amman.
As a youth he and others

New rules

for expat.

labour

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). -

The ministries of Labour and

the Interior have decided on the organisational procedures which will govern the acquisi-

tion by a non-Jordanian labo-

urer of a work permit and a

provision that the public secu-

rity authorities should stamp the passport of the non-Jord-

anian workman entering the

country with an inscription fo-

These measures include the

residence permit.

of his generation went out into the countryside hunting, as many still do, but they did not really know or understand the habits or activities of the animals they came into contact

"The knowledge, understanding and tolerance of animals of all types and from all habitats will bring with it a move towards better understanding and tolerance of other peoples and their problems" he expla-

He feels strongly that the zoo will be the sort of amenity that all the family can enjoy together — not just men or adults only, but children too.

Of course, it is hoped that the zoo will prove to be a big attraction for the many visitors to Jordan both Arab and foreigners.

I asked him why Bristol was chosen as the model for the Amman experiment and he explained that it was because this zoo has a reputation as one of the best in the world and has a remarkable record in the breeding of race or difficult animals, in the design and co-ordination of buildings and in the combining of zoological and horticultural interests.

The mayor has high hopes that Amman zoo will rise to the standards of this older, famous establishment.

It is the earnest desire of Mr. Abu Nuwar to involve all foreign embassies and their staff, the larger companies and also private individuals in the financing and sponsoring of this project.

The Ministry of Information and Tourism will also be invited to become involved. It is planned to have an exclusively Jordanian section where all the native animals will be housed - gerbils, desert foxes. hvenas, gazelles, and the many different types of hawks native to this country. Prince Hassan will be approached and asked if he will kindly contribute some of the animals from his private zoo.

PEOPLE AND PLACES

Compiled and edited by John Bon.

Book mystery

A puzzled visitor to Amman last week was David Hirst, the weil known and highly resp ected Middle East correspondent of the Guardian. What was puzzling Mr. Hirst was the absence of his book, "The Gun and the Olive Branch" from the shelves of Amman's bookstores. His book is a new documentation of the Palestinian situation and has been well received by Middle East reviewers as essential backgr-ound reading to the current debate on Palestinian rights. Suspected culprit was at the first the Information Ministry's, Press and Publica-

rbidding him from working in the Kingdom until he obtains a work permit and a residence ions Department's censors. The foreign labourer will be But Public Relations Adviser granted a one month visa whthe Information Ministry, ich will not be renewed until Mr. Peter Salah, ruled that out. Impossible he said, we he obtains a residence permit haven't even seen the book through his would-be emplo-

As it turns out the fault lies with the book's publishers, Faber and Faber. No promotional copies were distributed in Jordan. No copies were forwarded to the Information Ministry or censors. The leading importer of books here, the Jordan Distribution Agency, had to follow up interest in the book on its own. They despatched an order for a number of copies. Only to have a proforma invoice sent with a note saying Faber and Faber don't deal with Jordan

on a credit basis. Head of the JDA, Mr. Raja Elissa, has sent a check so the books should be here any day now, but he is furious at Faber and Faber who, he says, are the only publishers he has ever had to deal with who iemand advance payment on

Partner visits

A senior partner of Sir Wiliam Halcrow and Partners,

smiling bearded Eddie Ma field arrived in Amman week for a short visit. Mansfield's company is one the biggest civil enginee the biggest civil engines and design companies work in the Middle East. Amon the projects they have do ned and are supervising the Dubai Dry Dock, Port shid, Oman Sports Shad and various projects in Sarabia, Qatar, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates. In Amman they are work on projects for the Re Court.

> New life for old Agaba favourite

The hotel and restan

scene in Aqaba promises to a bit more exciting this R

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Red Crescent probe Arab conditions unde Israeli occupation

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AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). — The National Jordanian Red Crescent Society during last year, investigated, through the Red Cross, the healthconditions in the occupied Arab territories, the Society's President Dr. Ahmad Abu Qura told a here today.

The society also investigated the conditions of Arab prisoners in Israeli jails, as well as Israeli violations of human rights and of the Geneva convention in the occupied areas.

The society, moreover, took part in providing useful servicame a member of the per nent Red Cross, Dr. Abu Qura was re-elec in his position and Mrs. 1

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Contractors board elected

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JT). - Elections for officers of the Public Wo and Building Contractors Association were held at the Asso tion's premises in Amman on Jan. 20, Mr. Awni Al Saket elected a President of the new board with Messrs. Sami Nim Omar Budeir, Mahmoud Sha'ban, Sabri Farah, Raja Halam Najm Al Ghanem, Wa'el Tougan and Subhi Al Mughrabi as m bers. The new board elected Mr. Sabri Farah as vice-president Sami Ni'meh as secretary and Subhi Al Mughrabi as treasurer.

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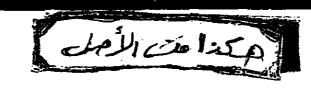
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National News Roundup

\$14 million water agreement to be signed

VIMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). — The government today the liable of the Chairman of the National Planning Council and the rector General of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Authority to the ashington to sign a \$14 million agreement with the World Tank to finance a number of projects in Amman.

Jordan to join Sudan agriculture meeting

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Jordan invited to Beirut water conference

MMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). - The Natural Resources Authority day received an invitation from the Economic Committee for day received an invitation from the water international conference

Envoys from France and Iraq received

MMAN, Jan 21 (JNA). — The Minister of State for Foreign Hairs Hassan Ibrahim received in his office today the French mbassador to Jordan. He also received the Iraqi Charge

Jordan to attend U.N. development conference

MMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). — Jordan will take part in the United ne to begin in Geneva on Jan. 23. During the 11-day meeting e Jordanian delegation will review Jordan's accomplishments in ying the groundwork of an operational and technological policy nked with economic development. Jordan will be represented the conference by Deputy Director General of the Royal Scienfic_Society, Dr. Fakhreddine Abdul Hadi Al Daghistani and the rector of the economic department at the society, Dr. Bassam `l Sakit.

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Arab African Bank to back Jordan projects

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). — The Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Finance Faraj Oheid returned home from Cairo today, after attending the meeting of the administrative council for the Arab African Bank. He said upon arrival that the council has decided to increase the bank's capital from \$40 million to \$100 million. The bank, he added, has also decided to finance a number of development projects in Jordan.

Free Zones Corporation law may be amended

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). - The administrative council of the Free Zones Corporation during a meeting at the Ministry of Finance today discussed the amendment of the corporation's law. The decision to amend the law is made on the recommendation of the three-day conference of the Chambers of Commerce Federation which was held in Amman at the beginning of January.

Italians visit Faculty of Engineering

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA), - The Italian ambassador to Jordan accompanied by the Italian cultural attache and a number of Italian university professors, today visited the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Jordan. They were briefed by a number of staff members on the history and needs of the faculty. They also discussed the possibility of cooperation between the faculty and a number of Italian engineering faculties.

Child labour in industry is banned

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). - The Ministry of Labour has forbidden children under 13 years of age from working in industrial institutions. In a notice to its labour offices in the Kingdom, the ministry asked that children under sixteen should get a medical certificate on their fitness to work before being employed.

Hotel food and drink prices fixed

AMMAN, Jan. 21 (JNA). - Prices of foodstuffs and beverages sold in Jordanian hotels were fixed by an order issued today by the Minister of Supply Marwan Al Kassim. The prices, which were fixed in accordance with hotel classification, will come into effect at the beginning of next month.

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Graham Greene prepares to unleash yet another

As Graham Greene, at 73 as enigmatic as ever, prepares to unleash yet another novel on the devoted and disconcerted alike, the question might well be asked: Having made his own journey to the end of the night, has he saved his last bullet for a courageous, stoical exit?

By Keith Brace

Literary Editor of The Birmingham Post

LONDON (LPS). Wih a new novel due to be published ear-ly in 1978, Graham Greene, at 73, is preparing to delight his devoted readers throughout the English speaking world and beyond, and to disconcert his puzzled critics as he has done with almost every new book in a career of almost 50 years. Mr. Greene is Britain's most popular, and at the same time most suspect, "serious" novelist, often taken more seriously overseas than at home. Every year the Nobel Prize is talked

him by. If he is more praised in other countries, it may be because the laconic Englishness, the witty, oblique references to complexities of English life and to class differences are lost in translation. His characters announce their class and education with the first words they

of but every year it passes

What his critics say

If he is underrated in Britain and he is, by many critics -- it may be that he is considered, through his dark mockery of Englishness and his use of the trappings of popular crime and spy fiction, to have betrayed his inheritance.

That inheritance is professional upper middle class. The son of the headmaster of a oublic (that is private) school. he went to Oxford and worked for The Times. From his early years he was a full time writer, undertaking occasional journalistic and intelligence

Using the material and techniques of the crime and spy thriller -- men on the run, rainy nights, ruthless police pursuers, sympathetic waif like girls -- be tells his stories, particularly those of the 1930s, in short, sharp visually scenes, much influenced by the cinema. The cinema has turned the compliment by filming at least a dozen of his novels and short stories.

Yet he has used themes fr-

om the highest levels of religious and metaphysical literature, mixing the two as did Dostoevski: Death, damnation, despair, redemption by love, redemption by self sacrifice, sex as unforgivable sin. fear as an awareness of the need for God's mercy, the suspicion of progressive "humanistic" reform as the greatest self deception.

The locations, people and dramatic situations of what has come to be known as Greeneland is instantly recognisable to his English speaking and to many fcreign readers.

The damned priest

His conversion to Roman Catholicism while he was a journalist in Nottingham in 1927 was in some ways the most important single event in Mr. Greene's literary life. Yet critics have still not resolved -- nor has he -- the enigma as to whether he is a Catholic novelist or a novelist who happens to be a Catholic.

The Holy Office condemned The Power and the Glory (1940), the story of a drunken priest on the run in anti-clerical Mexico, redeeming himself -- and dying -- through one courageous deed when he returns to Mexico from safety to shrive a dying gangster, knowing he is going into a trap. Better a drunken, damned priest at such moments than none at all, Mr. Greene

seems to be saying.
The British colonial police chief in The Heart of the Matter (1948) kills himself rather than cause further pain to the fourth sufferer in his sexual triangle: Himself, his wife, his young mistress -- and God. In The End of the Affair (1951) a young woman, feeling intimations of a religious vocation, breaks off an adulterous affair with an agreeable agnostic.

In Brighton Rock (1938), Mr. Greene's most notorious and hopeless novel, he makes it clear that he has greater respect for a vicious juvenile criminal who still believes in damnation than for the "humanistic" do gooding woman who is tracking him down.



Graham Greene puts

An awareness of squalor

Mr. Greene's use of Catholic themes, his linking of cri-minality with sin, his vision of a merciless God have offended as many Catholics as non-Catholics and there is now a tacit and respectful agreement that one reads him for his genius as a writer, not for his theology.

Mr. Greene's intense awareness of squalor, physical and moral, of a decade drifting into fascism, anarchy and prevaded his novels of the 1930s: Stamboul Train (1932), It's a Battlefield (1934), England Made Me (1935), A Gun for Sale (1936) and The Confidential Agent (1939). His early preoccupation wi-

th men on the run, physically. politically and spiritually, but facing their danger with a sort of basic existentialist courage, unsupported by any hope in a better society (though politically Mr. Greene has never accepted the easy cynicisms of the fascist right or the authoritarianism of the extreme left) these preoccupations recur in his later novels, though less harshly and with considerable comic brio, as in Our Man in Havana (1958),

The Quiet American (1955), A

Burnt-Out Case (1961), The Comedians (1966), Travels with My Aunt (1969) and his latest so far, The Honorary Consul (1973).

At his worst -- and best

A partial autobiography, many essays, short stories, a few plays have filled out the substantial body of Mr. Greene's work without adding greatly to what we know from his principal novels, or to what we are likely to learn from the

forthcoming novel,
At his worst Mr. Greene can
be wilful, tricky and deceptive; playing games with the cheap melodramatic effects of debased trinket shop Catholicism. At his best he rises above himself, showing men driven by religious despair to dark corners and fighting back so that their enemies know whom they are destroying.

Like Dostoievski, Celine, T. S. Eliot, Beckett, Solzhenit-syn, perhaps he has made his own journey to the end of the night and saved his last bullet for a courageous, stoical exit. Perhaps the Nobel Literary Committee will look again at this enigmatic English er. Our Man in Hell.

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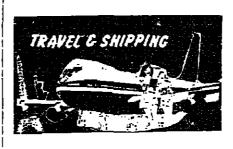






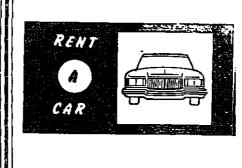


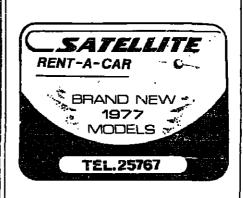


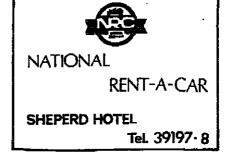




















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Carter tells Congress goals on inflation, unemployment, growth cannot be met by '79

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (R). — President Carter, who last night promised Americans a \$25 billion tax cut this year, warned Congress yesterday that his goals on inflation, economic growth and unemployment could not be met by the end of 1979. Mr. Carter, in his State of the Union message Thursday night, said his tax proposals, which go to Congress today, will save the average family more than \$250 per year in taxes. Business can expect strong incentives for investment as well as a substantial tax cut, he said. But in his economic message to Congress, the president said the goals set last year were too optimistic and not attainable.

Mr. Carter and his advisers now believe it is possible to cut the rate of price increases only to five per cent by the end of next year, instead of

The forecasts for economic growth and unemployment have also been modified.

The administration's new anti-inflation plan relies on voluntary guidelines rather than mandatory wage and price controls. It wants wage and price increases below last vear's levels.

UNCTAD to meet over external debt problem

MANILA, Jan. 21 (R). Officials on the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) will meet in Geneva next week to pave the way for a ministerial board meeting to consider ways of solving the huge external debt problem of developing countries, its Secretary General Gamani Corea said here yes-

terday. Mr. Corea told a news conference that a swift aproach was necessary to solve the problem of growing debts -- now standing at over \$200 billion.

"I am asking the business community and American workers to participate in a voluntary programme to decelerate the rate of price and wa ge increase," Mr. Carter told

Mr. Carter pledged to aid business in holding down cos-

He said he will hold the increase in spending, after adinerment to inflation, to about two per cent in the coming financial year.

Mr. Carter said he would sacrifice his goal of a halanced further tax cuts, over and above the proposed \$25 billion, to maintain economic expan-

Meanwhile the Labour Department said that inflation in the United States accelerated sharply last year to 6.8 per cent from the 4.8 per cent recorded in 1976.

The Labour Department. which monitors the movements in consumer prices, said a sharp increase in food prices was responsible for the acceleration in prices during 1977, with the increase in the cost of other goods and services hold-

ing at about the previous ye-During December food pri-

ce increases slowed and the in-It said higher prices for new cars, furniture and floor coverings continued to push the cost of other goods higher.

The department also reported the spending power of American workers increased by 3.7 per cent during the year, largely as the result of tax

cuts. The average weekly spend-

Abu Dhabi to resume full capacity export of liquid gas to Japan

ABU DHABI, Jan. 21 (R). -Abu Dhabi will resume exports of 7,000 tons a day of liquid gas to Japan in June after a cut back caused by the discovery of cracks in its new liquefaction plant, the semi-official newspaper Al Ittihad said here today.

It quoted Mr. Idriss Al Hubush, the General Manager of the Abu Dhabi Gas Liquefaction Company (ADGLC), which commissioned the plant in October, as saying it would be back to full capacity production of 7,000 tons a day in

He said that during repairs,

at half its capacity of liquefied natural gas (LNG) and liquid petroleum gas (LPG). The newspaper also quoted Oil Minister Mane' Al Oteiba,

who is the Chairman of ADGLC, as saying that seepage was discovered in one of the two liquefaction trains late in October, only three weeks after the official opening of the \$550 million plant. Dr. Oteiba said production was halted in November and cracks were found at welded ioints.

He said the repairs were due to end in March when the ted before full production is

The plant's production is sold under a 20-year contract to the Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO).

The Abu Dhabi government holds a 51 per cent interest in the plant which is built on Das Island to use associated gas from Abu Dhabi's offshore oilfields. The remaining shares are owned by Mitsui and Bridgestone of Japan (24.5 per cent), British Petroleum (16.33 per cent) and the Compagnie Française des Petroles (8.17 per cent).

Amateur archaeologist finds the amazing secret of the snake on the Mayan pyramid

British author D. H. Lawrence wrote of the feathered snake god the Aztecs called Ouetzacoatl and the Mayas Kukulcan. An amateur archaeologist has discovered the deity still appears each year in Yucatan to announce the arrival of spring and the com-

By Hodgson Budd

CHICHEN ITZA, Yucatan, Mexico - "These ruins were more than mere ceremonial centres; they were computers carved in stone." Mexican lawyer Luis Arochi can be excused for his hyperbole. amateur archaeologist, he had made an astounding discovery here at the ruins of the ancient Maya city of Chichen Itza.

Twice each year, on the first day of spring and the first of autumn, the setting sun casts shadows in such a way on El Castillo Pyramid that the silhouette of a giant snake appears on the monument.

El Castillo is crowned the Temple of Kukulcan, the plumed serpent, principal god of the Mayas. The head of the feathered snake is carved at the base of the pyramid. The undulating shadow leads from the temple to the sculpted head, so that briefly, on the day of the equinox, a snake-like profile is formed.

No one had noticed until Arochi picked out the startling play of light and shadow. in a snapshot taken at El Castillo on March 21, 1971. Subsequent investigation showed it was no fluke.

Shortly before sunset on the first day of spring, Kukulcan can be seen slithering out of his temple, crawling down the pyramid to fertilise the parhed earth. The date was of vital imporched earth.

tance to the Mayas. In the tropics seasons do not exist as they do in the temperate zones. There is merely a rainy time of year and a dry time of year. The rains come late in spring. At the equinox the time for planting of maize has

Nearly as important was the arrival of autumn, the time for harvesting. Here, once again, Kukulcan announces the date by appearing at El Cas-

Astronomy was the source of knowledge for Mexico's ancient civilisations. The first stone structures probably were observatories. Later. tem-ples and palaces were built, but the principal edifices were erected to measure the mo-

vement of the earth in relation to the stars.

Nevertheless, that a 200-foot high pyramid could be constructed with such skill to announce the equinox so dramatically is a feat almost beyond

In many ways the Maya civilisation belonged to the Stone Age. Its people used no metal tools nor beasts of burden. Their stone citles were in reality ceremonial centres.

The ordinary people lived in crude huts. They had not discovered the use of the wheel. Yet they evolved a poetic literature and a remarkable understanding of science. Their calendar is as near perfect as any ever devised.

That calendar, explains Antonio Benevides of Mexico's National Institute of Anthropology and History, was the key to survival. In riverless Yucatan, knowing when to sow and when to reap meant everything. This knowledge

princely priests. It enabled them to dominate and tyrannise the masses. To Mr. Benevides this fact

may hold the answer to why the Mayas periodically abandoned their cities, and indeed, their lands. Over the course of centuries they drifted up from Honduras and Guatemala to Chiapas and Yucatan. Middle America is dotted with the palaces and temples left behind.

belonged only to a tiny elite of

Mr. Benevides suspects migration followed rebellion. Occasionally the magic of the priests would fail. The promised rains would not come. There would be drought. Infuriated the masses would rise up and slaughter their tyrannical rulers.

When the priests died, science died with them. Their subjects, unable to read the calendar stones, would drift away from the cities, returning to hunting for a livelihood. The ceremonial centres would be swallowed by the jungle,

Eventually a priest from another city-state would discover these wanderers, perhaps after a few generations had passed. He would teach them to sow and reap and to build temples

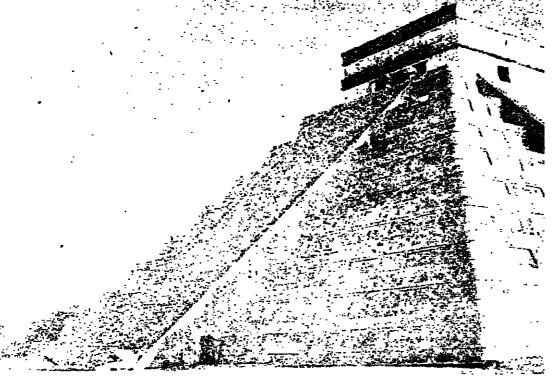
to the sun god and the rain god. The process of civilisation would begin once again.

The invading Toltecs introduced the plumed serpent to the Mayas. This was the deity that inspired the great Lawrence novel about Mexico. The god was Quetzacoatl to the Toltecs and the Aztecs, Kukulcan to the Mayas. There are those who believe he is more than a myth.

On the first day of autumn this year the skies were overcast at Chichen Itaz. Thousands of people had come to witness the Kukulcan phenomena. It appeared they would be disappointed.

Yet soon after 3 p.m. the sun broke through the clouds casting strong shadows. An hour later the profile of the great snake was clearly visible on the pyramid. By sundown it was raining.
Governor Francisco Luna-

Kan, first Maya chief executive in Yucatan since the Spanish conquest nearly 500 years ago, was pleased. 'The people believe the gods are happy and that things will go well," he "Had Kukulcan not appeared, there would have been great pessimism about the



This picture can only be taken on two days a year. The sun catches the edge of the pyramid in Yucatan and depicts a snake.

EEC offers non-members **\$9** b. a year tariff cut

BRUSSELS, Jan. 21 (R). — The European Common Mar-ket offered tariff cuts yesterday worth about \$9 billion a year on farm and tropical products from non-member co-

EEC officials said here this was part of the package put forward by the community at

Dollar's fall increases WHO's financial

difficulties

GENEVA, Jan. 21 (R). — The World Health Organisa-ISMAILIA, Egypt, Jan. 21 (R). — Mr. Robert McNamation (WHO) faces increasing ra, President of the World Bank, said here yesterday financial difficulties because of the falling value of the United States dollar, the organisa-tion's Director-General, Dr. nomic aid for its economic, investment, food produc-Halfdan Mahler, said here yesterday paid a visit to the Suez Canal area and inspected

Dr. Mahler was speaking at a meeting of the WHO's 30-men Executive Board during discussions on next year's bud-

This year's WHO Assembly in May will be asked to approve a 1979 budget of more than \$182 million, a rise of over \$10 million or 6.13 per cent over this year. More than five per cent of the increase results from the dollar's fall in value against the Swiss franc.

Nile Delta to inspect work in tiled drainage projects The WHO will be relying on extra, voluntary countributions He is scheduled to visit Luxor, Upper Egypt, next from its 150 member states to make up the budget difference in order to finance pro-

the 98-nation "Tokyo Round" trade negotiations

EEC officials said the community also offered to remove immediately or gradually 33 volume quotas on industrial imports into its nine members.

This offer depended on an adequate balance of mutual advantage between the trad-ing nations involved, the officials added.

Japan has also submitted offers and the United States the other major partner in the 98-nation talks, will table its proposals on Monday, a GATT spokesman said.

This week was the deadline for participants to put forward a tariff-cutting plan and to respond with offers of trade concessions to demands submitted last November by tra-

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THE Sunday Crossword

President Carter delivers his annual economic message to Cong-

ress. In his message he said it was unlikely that the administra-

tion's goals for expanding the economy and reducing unemploy-ment would be met. The president said he was now aiming for

a 5 per cent inflation rate by the end of the year. He also mentioned additional tax cuts over and above the \$25 billion promi-

ses Thursday night in his State of the Union message. (AP

McNamara inspects

Suez Canal projects

the bank would provide Egypt with technical and eco-

Mr. McNamara, on a week-long visit to Egypt, yes-

projects to widen and deepen the international water-

way and held talks with canal's Chairman Mashour

first stage of the development project costing. \$630

The World Bank has contributed \$100 million to the

Mr. McNamara did not give any details of the aid

Today he is due to visit the Gharbia Province in the

also carried out with the bank's help to improve agri-

Mr. McNamara arrived here last Wednesday.

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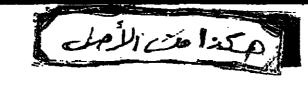
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GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day when you can expect the unexpected. You would be wise to engage in group activities and make a fine impression on others. Try o be more understanding of family members.

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ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Talk over your interests with modern-thinking persons and gain their advice. Do some entertaining of persons you like.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Go to places where you Tokyo ran be inspired to greater heights. Discuss the future with recoint friends and relatives. Show that you have poise.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Study your home and see where to make improvements. Plan how to stretch your rird to finances so that you have greater security. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Look into new

and more fascinating recreational activities in which your associates engage in. Relax at home tonight. LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Ideal day for meditation and

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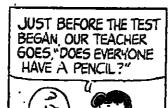
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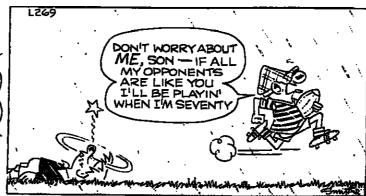




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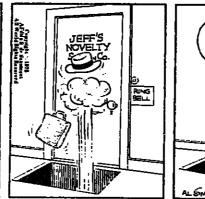














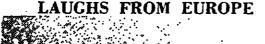
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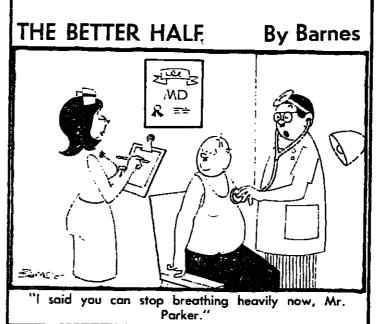
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What do you bid now?

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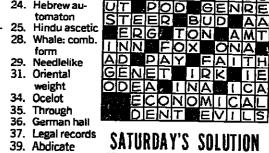
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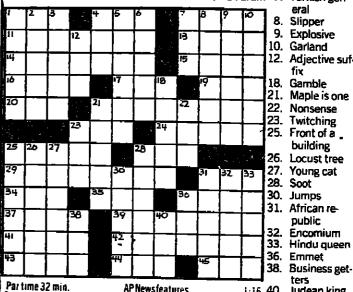
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AP News features

Vance now in Athens; Ecevit asks for U.S. military aid boost

ATHENS, Jan. 21 (R). — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance arrived here today for talks with Greek leaders on Greek-American issues and Greece's dispute with Turkey over Cyprus. Strict security measures were in force at the airport and along the 10-mile route to the capital following the announcement of demonstrations by leftwing groups opposed to the oneday visit.

The American Embassy and American property in Athens were heavily guarded. Hundreds of policemen patrolled the streets around Athens University, where a mass rally will be held tonight to protest against Mr. Vance's visit. Mr. Vance arrived here today following a one-day visit to Turkey. In Ankara Turkish Premier

Bulent Ecevit declared that he had asked Mr. Vance to increase U.S. military aid to Turkey in a defence agreement awaiting approval by the

U.S. Congress. Mr. Vance assured him that the agreement submitted to Congress by the administration President Gerald Ford would be voted on soon,

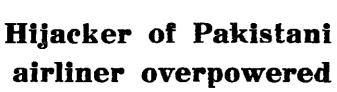
hours earlier when the masked man, brandishing a pistol and

Mr. Ecevit reiterated his belief that the Cypriot situation should not be linked to Turkey's relations with the U.S., and that the U.S. and all other foreign powers should stay out of the Cypriot affair and other relations between Greece and

the premier said.

Asked about a possible reduction of Turkish forces on Cvprus, Mr. Ecevit declared: Turkish troops there are not an invasion force. They are on Cyprus to safeguard the security of the Turkish communi-

ty."
Once Turkish Cvoriots' security was ensured, he said. there would probably be substantial troop reductions. Mr. Vance said that the talks with Turkish leaders had been useful and friendly but declined to comment on Mr. Ecevit's statement. Mr. Vance would only say that the agreement was concluded in the past, and that Mr. Ecevit's words were his personal opinion. The secretary of state said he did not intend to mediate



KARACHI, Jan. 21 (R). — A said to be out of danger. former chief of the Pakistan The hijacker had started 14 air force was wounded here early today as he overpowered a hijacker holding 25 people hostage aboard an aircraft.

Retired Air Marshal Nur Khan, now chief of Pakistan International Airways (PIA) was shot in the thigh as he grabbed the gunman. He later

a hand grenade, commandeered the PIA internal flight. Police identified him as Sri Chand, 27, who demanded to be flown to Bombay and treated for cancer. He also demanded a ransom of \$2 million, half of it in Pakistani rupees.

Smith wants U.K. to "get off" his back, let him "get on" with his internal settlement effort

SEKE SEKE, Rhodesia, Jan. 21 (R). - Premier Ian Smith today called on Britain to "get off our backs" and allow an internal settlement to go ahead without hindrance.

Addressing an audience of about 300 whites in this black township near Salisbury, he criticised Britain for not supporting the current settlement talks between the white minority government and the leaders of three Rhodesia-based black nationalist parties.

"I call on the British government to refrain from defrom attempting to frustrate their success," he said.

"Above all I call on them to search their own consciences and to reassess whether they should support the peaceful and peace-loving people of Rhodesia or the terrorists to whose dastardly deeds they so conveniently turn a blind

"I call on them, once more as I have done in the past, to get off our backs and stop hindering the progress of our country to peace and prosperity," he declared.

Britain is pressing ahead with the Anglo-American plan for a settlement as opposed to Mr. Smith's internal talks. The British and American plan includes the Patriotic Front, the political voice of the guerrillas fighting for the downfall of the white regime, while the internal negotiations do not. The major black leaders inthe Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole

and Bishop Abel Muzorewa, claim the support of most of the guerrilla forces but their assertions are so far largely

Britain and the United States have said that an internal settlement would not be accepted by the outside world because it would have exclud-

leaders as Syria's Hafez Assad

and Saudi Arabia's King Kha-

S. He just informed them. When Sadat went to Syria pri-

or to going to Jerusalem, he made it very clear to Assad that he was serious about his

intention to go to Israel. But he merely informed Mr. Assad

of his decision. Furthermore, the way he made this decision

was highly personal. The way his foreign ministers resigned indicates that he was acting

strictly on his own, in haste,

other Arab heads of state, or

even with his own advisers.

M. How did Sadat abandon
the collective Arab position of
the last 30 years? What has

S. From the Arab view-point, Israel is the aggressor, the expansionist power. Israel's

greatest objective, which it was unable to achieve in 30

years, was to gain the legiti-

macy of Arab recognition. This

has been Israel's greatest psy-

chological, political, security, and in the long run economic

need. What Sadat did in going

to Jerusalem was to recognise

consultation with

ed the Patriotic Front, "(British Foreign Secretary David) Owen speaks of inter-national acceptance," Mr. Smith said, "But what he really means is Russian acceptance and we all know that Russia has nothing to gain from peaceful

Yesterday, the Rhodesian government offered black nationalist guerrillas an amnesty as part of the internal settlement initiative. But guerrilla Leader Robert Mugabe's faction of black na-

tionalists infiltrating Rhodesia from Mozambique rejected outright the amnesty offer. Quoting Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU), Vice President Simon Muzenda, Radio Voice of Zimbabwe said in a radio broadcast that the only way for "terrorist Smith" to offer an amnesty would be for him and the white minority regime "to resign lock, st-



Polisario warns Spain it will attack trawlers in Western Sahara waters

MADRID, Jan. 21 (R). - The Algerian-backed Polisario Front fighting for the independence of the Western Sahara today issued a warning to Spain that it would attack any fishing boats which entered the former Spanish colony's waters. A Polisario communique distributed to the press here said any commercial agreement signed with Morocco and Mauritania, which jointly took over

in February, 1976, would be considered an act of aggres-Spain has already signed a fishing agreement with Mauritania and has recently negotiated another with Morocco. The communique said such agre-ements would be liable to military reprisals by the Polisario Liberation Army and that the Spanish government would be

the Western Sahara from Spain

Polisario guerrillas kidnapped three sailors in a mortar and machinegun attack on a Spanish trawler fishing off the Western Sahara last year. The three were released after long negotiations between Spanish leftwing parties and Polisario representatives in Algeria. Spain has never formally recognised Moroccan and Mauritanian jurisdiction over the territorial waters off the Wes-

entirely to blame for any result-

Today's Polisario communique repeated charges which were denied by Madrid that Spain was shipping arms to Morocco and Mauritania and that Spain had provided "logistic support" for what it termed French "aggression" against the Polisario Front.

of U.S. military equipment WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (R). arms sales in 1978 will rise — The sale of American mi- \$2 billion to \$13.2 billion. litary equipment other than weapons to Saudi Arabia in 1978 is expected to reach \$2.5

estimates. 1977 level. said last night the projected sale of spare parts and the construction of military installations would be in addition to weapons sales such as the ns related" equipment such as \$1.5 billion purchase of 60 military Installations and so-McDonnel Douglas F-15 fightme spare parts. ers that Saudi Arabia has re-

Total arms sales to Saudi Arabia for the 1977 financial year ended last Oct. 1 were

billion, according to Pentagon

\$1.8 billion. The sources said the Pen-tagon estimate also expected 1978 sales to Britain, Australia and Japan to rise sharply over the 1977 level and sales to West Germany and Greece

to move up slightly.

Britain's orders of American
weapons in 1978 are expected to triple to \$250 million from the \$81 million in 1977; Australia, \$300 million from \$132 million and Japan to \$280 million from the \$44 million in

U.S. arms sales to West Germany are also expected to rise \$25 million over the 1977 level to \$340 million in 1978 and those of Greece up \$13 million to \$220 million in 1978. The sources said these projected increases are largely responsible for the Pentagon's estimate that total American

This increase appeared to run against the policy announced by President Carter in

June to lower 1978 American arms sales abroad below the However, the new policy ex-cluded sales to the NATO nations and other treaty allies such as Australia and Japan. It also exempted "non-weapo-

Other than arms, Saudis will

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The Pentagon confirmed the week that 1978 weapons sale to nations covered by the p licy are expected to drop \$4 million below the 1977 lev of \$9.3 billion.

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\$1m needed to clean New York of worst blizzard in 10 years

NEW YORK, Jan. 21 (R). New Yorkers were digging themselves out of the worst blizzard to hit the city in almost a decade today as freezing drizzle, occasional snow flurries and ice posed continuing hazards to those venturing out into the cold.

New York State Governor Hugh Carey mobilised the National Guard (Territorials) last night to help in the clean up operations after at least a foot of snow had buried the cit closing shops, offices and sciols and bringing most overla and air services to a halt Some estimates put the st of the clean up at over million dollars.

Wind gusts of more the 80 kms. and hour piled m metres high drifts on the c outskirts. Smaller but equally have our snow banks piled up at

the city's main arteries as hicles skewed around on treacherous ice. The blizzard instantly he

me known as the "great whout", after the "great bis out", the power failure wi brought the city to a half! The storm paralysed of areas from Washington to

New England states but ! York suffered the worst. The blizzard was an em rassing surprise for the tional Weather Service, wi had predicted only a fairly derate snow fall, and it thousands of people stres in the city centre.

Millions of commuters v

marooned in their homes. It closed the city's two jor airports, Kennedy Inte tional, and Newark Airpon

Marcos believes Moslem rebels now want to resume Filipino peace talks

MANILA, Jan. 21 (AFP). -President Ferdinand Marcos said today he had received indications that Moslem rebels wanted a resumption of stalled peace negotiations to end the five-year-old separatist rebellion in the southern Philippin-

"This will mean that we can then consider the possibility of lifting martial law either totally or partially," Mr. Marcos told a delegation of foreign and Filipino businessmen who met with him at the

Malacanano Presidential Pala-

Mr. Marcos told the delegation he hoped that by this year negotiations on a new military bases treaty between the United States and the Philippines would be concluded.

At issue in the bases talks are the future arrangements to govern the operation of the Clark Air Base and the Subic Bay Navy Base outside Manila and the amount of rental or compensation the U.S. government will pay for their use.

Negotiations on a peace set-

tlement in Mindanao, southern Philippines, broke down last April following disputes over how to administer the proposed 13-province Moslem autonomous region. Previous negotiations held

in December 1976 in Tripoli,

Libya, between the government and the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) led to a ceasefire but hostilities resumed on a large scale after 10 months, last October.

An estimated 50,000 to 70,000 people have died in the conflict since it began in 1972.

New Jersey. These were expected to be opened a until some time later toda Weather forecasters preted little further accumula of snow for today but I and walks would remain t cherously icy.

History won't blame Sadat for Israeli trip but for abandoning 30-year-old joint Arab position, says Palestinian professo

Editor's note: The Jordan Times is pleased today to publish Editor's note: The Jordan Times is pleased today to publish the full transcript of an interview, which appeared in the January 1978 issue of the London monthly Middle East International, with Prof. Hisham Sharabi of Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. Dr. Sharabi, a Palestinian and editor of the Journal of Palestine Studies, here takes the historian's view of the possible watershed in Middle East developments that could follow Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's recent peace initiative. He concludes that President Sadat's actions were "irresponsible" even if they eventually succeed. The interviewer is Lawrence Mosher, Washington correspondent of the Middle East International and currently writer-in-residence at Georgetown University's Centre for Contemporary Arab Studies.

Mosher: The Carter administration has shown concern over President Sadat's visit to Jerusalem and his call for the pre-Geneva meeting in Cairo. Although President Carter has personally applauded Mr. Sadat's courage in going to Isra-el, his Mideast, advisers are nervous that the resultant ne-gative Arab reaction could wreck plans to reconvene the Geneva peace conference in early 1978. Do you think Mr. Sadat's moves will help or hinder the ability of the Arabs to negotiate a peace treaty

Sharabi: It is obvious that the Sadat visit so far has created disunity in the Arab side that has slowed down if not altogether deflected the march to Geneva. The visit itself was indeed a very risky step for Sadat. In the long historical view, he will be blamed mostly not for undertaking the visit, but for acting unilaterally, not consulting with his Arab colleagues, and for abandoning the collective Arab position of the last 30 years.

M. Why didn't Mr. Sadat consult with such key Arab Sadat also violated the basic

Arab position regarding Jerusalem itself. By going to Jerusalem he recognised Israel's claim to that city as its capi-

Israel de facto. The head of

the largest Arab state, on his

own, goes to Jerusalem and de-

als directly with the enemy go-

These gestures in themselves would have been viewed differently if he had been able to achieve what the Arabs and the international community agree is a just and lasting solution to the problem. Such a solution, from the Palestinian view, is not full justice, but only partial justice. Nevertheless the Palestinians have accepted this compromise. The accepted this compromise. The solution I am talking about is Israeli withdrawai, the estab-lishment of Palestinian sovereignty on Palestinian soll — the West Bank and Gaza — and a truly secure peace for every-

body in the area.

The Israelis, in Jerusalem and since, have told Sadat only that they are interested in a secure peace. But this is what they have been saying all along. Nothing more. Had Sadat come back with these basic lestinian statehood and secu-re peace for everybody — his visit would have been viewed quite differently. But he didn't. The Israelis told him again that this land is theirs, it is sacred, and that they will not withdraw from it fully. Begin said the West Bank and Gaza are part of Israel. They did not budge an inch on the Palestinian issue as such: they esid no Palestinian state, no

PLO, no negotiations with the Palestinians. M. Carter administration pe-

lysts argue that there is a difference between the Begin government's position on a Palestinian state and the potential attitude of the majority of Israelis who could accept such a state in exchange for lasting peace. These people also think Mr. Sadat's de facto recognition of Israel has produced a psychological plus in moving the Begin government towards moderation. Thus, in the long term, Mr. Sadar's visit to Jerusalem will do more to moderate the eventual Is-

raeli bargaining position than anything that has happened to date. How do you view this argument? S. I hope it happens this way. I feel sceptical, however, because previous Israeli behaviour has always been devious. I think the present Israeli leadership is giving the least it can in reaction to the minimum demands of the United States. The Israelis will probably give Sadat very lit-tle, and let him stew in his own juice, unless he is willing to negotiate a separate peace with them, which is rather do-ubtful. This is precisely the Arabs' main fear. And the Am-ericans are worried about it

too. M. What do you think Mr. Sadat will do?
S. He has three options.
One would derive from real
concessions from the Israelis. If this is the case, Sadat will reinstate himself within the Arab World mend his fences, and re-establish his position. His second option would result from a situation where the Israelis fail to give him any meaningful concessions. In this case Sadat either will be forc-

ed to submit to this situation

th Israel, or he will revert to a radical position. But he will not be able to return to the previous status quo.
M. Why not? Why can't Mr. Sadat then say that he tried, that it was better to try than

not to try? S. Precisely because he tried and failed. This must force him towards a more militant posi-

M. Why is this reversion a political axiom for the Arab

S. It's almost mechanics. Every force has an equal and opposite force. By going to such lengths to obtain peace, and then failing, Sadat, in or-der to survive politically, has to go back and beyond where he was before he undertook this risk, at least in terms of his means. Even more, his own realisation that the Israelis are not going to make real concession for peace will push him further in the other direction, Sadat will no doubt become very angry with the Israelis for passing up the chance he gave them for peace, at his considerable political risk, and botching it.

Sadat's third option would arise from drift and the main-tenance of a false momentum in which no real concessions are made, no real progress is achieved, but with enough expectation and hope left to go on. This really is what has been the case for a number of years — the no-war, no-peace situation.

Indeer, I don't think in recent diplomatic history there has been a situation that compares to this Middle East maze. The behaviour, the language, the coding of words, the special meaning common terms

have acquired. It's an Alice in Wonderland atmosphere that ultimatey must lead to disaster. For example, consider the Geneva conference itself. Imagine a conference where one of the two negotiating sides says yes, it will go to Geneva, it will go there unconditionally - except that it will not withdraw from the West Bank and Gaza, it will not under any circumstances admit the idea of a Palestinian state,

and it will not in any case recognise or speak to the Palestinians. But it says everything is negotiable! This is madder talk than that heard at the Mad Hatter's tea party! M. What about the American reaction to Sadat's manoeuvres? Aside from the cautiousness of Carter administration Mideast specialists, who are sensitive to the Arab poli-tical reality, the overall Ame-

rican result has been upbeat. One Washington political wri-ter portrayed Sadat as having "stepped into the American political reality," which is a first for any Arab leader. An-other Washington-based newsmagazine columnist wrote that Sadat "has transformed more than the political landscape of the Middle East. He has surely also transformed, or at least substantially altered, the American perception of the Arab and his cause." Do you see a gain here for the Arabs be-cause of what Mr. Sadat has done that offsets at least in part his Mideast risks?

S. No doubt the impact of Sadat's visit on Israel and the United States has been great. The United States is now confronted with a client who is willing to act on the position that the United States has adopted, and even go beyond, Indeed, the United States is responsible for the Sadat initiative, even if Washington had nothing to do with bringing it about. Sadat's actions represent the ultimate conclusion of Mideast policy assumptions. The United States has been calling for concessions, moderation, and face-to-face negotiations. And now this man, the head of the biggest Arab co-untry, has delivered comple-tely on his own and without any preconditions. Now if this moderation that

represents the American political reality doesn't work, then that reality and the approach it advocates will have to be reexamined. It will have been proven bankrupt.

M. If Mr. Sadat fails to gain

the basic concessions from Israel that the United States endorses, do you think the American political reality on this issue will then change? In other words, would the Israeli lobby here be undermined? S. It would unmask the assumptions of this political reality and force some basic changes in it that so far have been inhibited by the Israeli lobby and its friends in Wash-

ington.

M. On balance, do you think Mr. Sadat's gamble was wise?
S. Sadat's gamble on a personal level shows a flair for innovation, for adventure. But I am a strict rationalist where international relations are concerned. I think the risk was too vast to undertake. It was too personal an impulse to have political credibility. It was, in the final analysis, an irresponsible act, regardless of

its final success or failure. M. Perhans it was a very romantic act performed in a very unromantic age?

S. I suppose it might! that way to television vis in the United States. Bu assure you that to a Pal nian like myself, it was fr ening, saddening and hum ing all at once. Still, it's t We have to deal with comes next. Whatever is a Sadat should not be too hard. He should be a ed the opportunity to can be given time to decide ther what he did was right wrong — for the Arabs, Egypt, for Palestine, and



